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Docket Manager,

I, as a consumer, am very concerned that I will not be notified if the food I am purchasing has been irradiated. There are unknown changes that take place in the product in an effort to increase shelf life due to the irradiation process. These changes have not been qualitatively or quantitatively tested nor has there been sufficient public debate on the decision you are about to make. Food and Drug Administration is the protective buffer that is to work on behalf of the people of the United States. It is not the responsibility of F & D to promote industry as the expense of public health.

Sincerely, Virginia Souders-Mason

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